



OPEN EXAMINATION
Research Scientist Supervisor II
(Food and Drug Sciences)
CONTINUOUS TESTING
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California State Government supports equal opportunity to all regardless of race, color, creed, national origin, ancestry, gender, marital status, disability, religious or political affiliation, age, or sexual orientation. It is the objective of the State of California to achieve a drug-free work place. Any applicant for state employment will be expected to behave in accordance with this objective because the use of illegal drugs is inconsistent with the law of the state, the rules governing civil service, and the special trust placed in public servants.

WHO SHOULD APPLY: Persons who meet the minimum qualifications (entrance requirements) as stated on this announcement may take this examination, which is competitive.

HOW TO APPLY: To learn more about the job and testing arrangements, contact the testing office shown below, or visit the [Research Scientist](#) website.

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HUMAN RESOURCES BRANCH
In Person: 1501 Capitol Avenue, Suite 71.1501
By Mail: MS 1700 - 1702
P.O. Box 997378
Sacramento, CA 95899-7378

DO NOT SUBMIT APPLICATIONS TO THE STATE PERSONNEL BOARD

FINAL FILING DATE: There is no final filing date. Testing is considered continuous as dates can be set at any time. The testing office will accept applications continuously and will notify and test applicants of testing as needs warrant.

TESTING PERIOD: A candidate may be tested only once during any testing period. The testing period for this classification is January 1 through December 31.

SALARY RANGES: \$7572 - \$9156 per month.

POSITION DESCRIPTION: Under broad administrative direction, the Research Scientist Supervisor II is responsible for the supervision of Research Scientists I, II, III and IV and Research Scientist Supervisors I. Incumbents serve as second-level supervisors responsible for a moderate group of scientific and nonscientific staff composed of supervisors and nonsupervisors, typically totaling nine to fifteen professional State and/or contract employees. Programs with high visibility requiring unique scientific expertise in which the incumbent has independent science-based decision-making responsibilities on a statewide level may supervise fewer personnel. Incumbents provide administrative guidance and leadership in planning, organizing, and directing difficult and complex major original scientific research studies or public health investigations that have broad statewide scientific scope, high sensitivity, and policy impact; make original, independent decisions on complex scientific problems using scientific theories and principles on association and risk and then develop hypothesis on causes and also test these hypotheses; conceive, plan, and conduct scientific research work of large scope on a statewide or national basis, that has extreme difficulty and complexity in unexplored areas of public health. The incumbent's work involves high levels of uncertainty and a balancing of conflicting interest of extreme intensity. The results of their applied research are used in public health prevention and control programs. Incumbents use their scientific expertise to plan, direct, and execute major professional public health research studies. Provide evaluations and scientific recommendations made by the incumbent as those of a scientific expert; and direct the analysis of all relevant, available, scientific, technical, medical, and other information from sources within and outside the organization, and direct the integration of this information into the decision-making process. Incumbents direct the development of proposed scientific research studies to evaluate new public health strategies if relevant information is not available; consult with department management and others in areas appropriate to their qualifications and participate in the development of public health policy; provide scientific technical expertise in a science area appropriate to their educational qualifications and provide consultation to departmental management and others as requested; direct the publication or presentation of scientific research or investigations conducted on a statewide basis to state public health experts and the community; and perform other related work.

FOOD AND DRUG SCIENCES: Incumbents in this parenthetical are distinguished from other Research Scientists by being required to analyze and conduct research studies on food, cosmetic, and consumer product safety, and drug and medical device consumer product safety and effectiveness. Subspecialties in this parenthetical focus on food product safety, drug product safety, cosmetic product safety, or medical device product safety. Work in a subspecialty requires advanced knowledge in a specific area of food microbiology, nutrition, food technology, food biochemistry, food or drug chemistry, drug pharmacology, biomedical device engineering sciences, or risk assessment. Research studies and

investigation conclusions are used to ensure the production of safe foods, drugs, cosmetics, and medical devices. In food borne illness outbreaks, investigations are conducted and, using scientific risk assessment procedures, the potential sources of contamination are identified and controlled through scientific research on the source of contamination and the implementation of new food manufacturing procedures. Incumbents, working in drug, cosmetic, or medical device safety have knowledge of the technologies used to uniformly assure the safety and effectiveness of these consumer products; locate, review, and evaluate current relevant scientific information and expert opinion to determine whether investigational new drug or device studies are adequately designed and controlled to generate scientifically valid and useful data; consult with other scientists, evaluate scientific data, and recommend necessary control measures to minimize adverse health outcomes; and verify that all scientific data submitted in support of industry claims is accurate and that foods and cosmetics are safe and drugs and medical devices are safe and effective.

Positions exist with the Department of Public Health in Los Angeles and Richmond.

REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMITTANCE TO THE EXAMINATION: It is your responsibility to make sure you meet the education and/or experience requirements stated on this announcement on the date you submit your application. Your signature on your application indicates that you have read, understood, and possess the basic qualifications required.

NOTE: Applications/resumes **must** include "to" and "from" dates (month/day/year), time base, civil service class title(s), and range (if applicable) for all work experience. College course information **must** include title, semester or quarter units, name of institution, completion dates, and degree (if applicable).

Applications/resumes received without this information will be rejected. A copy of your official degree and transcripts may assist in the evaluation of your qualifications as it relates to meeting the education requirements for this examination.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Three years of experience in the California state service performing scientific research duties comparable to those of a Research Scientist Supervisor I in the stated specialty or a closely related field. **and** Possession of a doctoral degree in the stated specialty or a closely related field or a degree of Doctor of Medicine.

Or II

Two years of experience in the California state service performing scientific research duties comparable to those of a Research Scientist IV in the stated specialty or in a closely related field. (Possession of a recognized professional Board certification in the stated specialty or possession of a master's degree in Public Health or preventive medicine may be substituted for one year of the required experience.) **and** Possession of a doctoral degree in the stated specialty or a closely related field or a degree of Doctor of Medicine.

Or III

Five years of progressively responsible research experience in the stated specialty or a closely related field. This experience must have included major responsibility for the design, conduct, and analysis of a large or highly complex and difficult research, and experience in the development, planning, and operation of multidisciplinary, complex, and difficult research program involving coordination of several groups of disciplines, recruitment and training of personnel, budgeting and accounting of funds, and preparation of major reports and scientific publications. At least three years of this experience must be at a level of responsibility equivalent to that of a Research Scientist Supervisor I. **and** Possession of a doctoral degree in the stated specialty or in a closely related field.

Or IV

Five years of progressively responsible professional research experience in a field of medical specialization relevant to the stated specialty or a closely related field. This experience must have included major responsibility for the design, conduct, and analysis of complex research, or responsibility for the administration and coordination of large, complex multidisciplinary, or multi-institutional research programs. Two years of approved residency in a medical specialty relevant to the class title may be substituted for one year of the required experience. At least three years of this experience must be at a level of responsibility equivalent to that of a Research Scientist Supervisor I. **and** Possession of the degree of Doctor of Medicine.

The required degree must have been obtained from a recognized U.S. university or from a foreign university approved by the Bureau of Private Postsecondary and Vocational Education under the provision of California Education Code Chapter 3, Part 59, Division 10.

GENERAL QUALIFICATIONS: In addition to the scope defined on this announcement, candidates must possess essential personal qualifications including integrity, initiative, dependability, good judgment, ability to work cooperatively with others, and a state of health consistent with the ability to perform the assigned duties of the class. A medical examination may be required.

EXAMINATION INFORMATION: The examination will consist of a [Supplemental Application](#) that is weighted 100%.

The Department of Public Health reserves the right to revise the examination plan to better meet the needs of the service if the circumstances under which this examination was planned change. Such revision will be in accordance with civil service law and rules and all competitors will be notified.

ELIGIBLE LIST INFORMATION: Possession of the entrance requirement does not assure a place on the eligible list. In order to obtain a position on the eligible list, a minimum rating of 70% must be attained. Names of successful competitors are merged into the open list established for use by the Department of Public Health in order of final scores regardless of testing date. Eligibility expires 24 months after it is established unless the needs of the service and conditions of the list warrant a change in this period.

Eligible Lists established by competitive examination, regardless of date, must be used in the following order: 1) sub-divisional promotional, 2) departmental promotional, 3) multi-departmental promotional, 4) service-wide promotional, 5) departmental open, and 6) open. When there are two lists of the same kind, the older must be used first.

VETERANS PREFERENCE: Veterans preference credits will not be granted in this examination since it does not qualify as an entrance examination.

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MCI from TDD: 1-800-735-2929 MCI from voice telephone: 1-800-735-2922

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